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In re Patent Application of )  
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Application No.: Unassigned ) Examiner: Unassigned  
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For: AN ARRANGEMENT FOR )  
PROCESSING DATA IN A )  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS )  
NETWORK AND A METHOD FOR )  
SETTING UP A )  
TELECOMMUNICATIONS DATA )  
PROCESSING ARRANGEMENT )

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please amend Claims 3, 5, 7-11, 14-19, 22, 25, 27-30 and 33 as follows:

Claim 3, line 2, delete "or Claim 2".

Claim 5, line 2, delete "or Claim 3".

Claim 7, line 2, delete "any of the claims 1, 3, 5, or 6" and insert therefor

--Claim 1--.

Claim 8, line 2, delete "or Claim 3".

Claim 9, line 2, delete "or Claim 3".

Claim 10, line 2, delete "Claim 3 or Claim 9,".

Claim 11, line 2, delete "any of the claims 1, 3, 9 or 10" and insert therefor

--Claim 1--.

Claim 14, line 2, delete "or Claim 13".

Claim 15, line 2, delete "claim 13 or Claim 14,".

Claim 16, line 2, delete "any of the preceding claims 1-15" and insert therefor

--Claim 1--.

Claim 17, line 2, delete "any of the preceding claims 1-15" and insert therefor

--Claim 1--.

Claim 18, line 2, delete "any of the preceding claims 1-15" and insert therefor

--Claim 1--.

Claim 19, line 2, delete "any of the preceding claims 1-18" and insert therefor

--Claim 1--.

Claim 22, line 2, delete "any of the preceding claims 1-21" and insert therefor

--Claim 1--.

Claim 25, line 1, delete "or Claim 24".

Claim 27, line 1, delete "or Claim 25".

Claim 28, line 1, delete "Claim 25 or Claim 27" and insert therefor

--Claim 25--.

Claim 29, line 1, delete "any of the preceding claims 23-28" and insert therefor

--Claim 23--.

Claim 30, line 1, delete "any of the preceding claims 23-29" and insert therefor

--Claim 23--.


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## REMARKS

The above amendments to the claims have been made in order to eliminate multiple dependencies. Favorable action on the merits of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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